### Delaware

# Nutrient Management Notes

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### **Certification Expiration**

- All certifications for Nutrient Generators, Private Nutrient Handlers, and Commercial Nutrient Handlers expire every 3 years. Please check your expiration date to prevent unexpected expiration.
- ♦ Certifications for Nutrient Consultants expire every year.
- Classes are advertised within this newsletter and are updated on the University of Delaware website: http://ag.udel.edu/extension/NutriManage/.
- Continuing Education classes should be as relevant as possible to your business.
- Any Nutrient Management class from other states can count toward your Continuing Education credits.

### **Certification Requirements**

The minimum requirements for initial certification are:

#### 1. Nutrient Generator:

To obtain a nutrient generator certificate, the applicant must successfully complete at least 6 credit hours of educational course work as approved by the Nutrient Management Program.

#### 2. Private Nutrient Handler:

To obtain a private nutrient handler certificate, the applicant must successfully complete at least 9 credits of educational course work as approved by the Nutrient Management Program.

#### 3. Commercial Nutrient Handler:

To obtain a commercial nutrient handler certificate, the following criteria must be met:

- The applicant must take and successfully complete at least 12 credits of educational course work approved by the Nutrient Management Program. Proof of such completion of course work shall be submitted with the application.
- The applicant must pass a written test approved by the Commission.
- A \$150 fee is required for the period of three years.

#### 4. Nutrient Consultant:

To obtain a nutrient consultant certificate, the following criteria must be satisfied:

- The applicant must take and successfully complete at least 12 credits of educational course work approved by the Nutrient Management Program.
- The applicant must pass a written test approved by the Nutrient Management Program.
- A \$100 annual fee is required.
- Reciprocity: The Commission has adopted a policy accepting certification from certification programs such as Certified Crop Advisor, Virginia Nutrient Consultant and Maryland Nutrient Consultant. A seminar covering the Delaware Law is still required.





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## Mid-Atlantic Crop Management School Annual Workshop Held in Ocean City, Maryland

Annually, the Mid-Atlantic Crop Management School offers a three-day Workshop with a variety of breakout sessions. Topics include Nutrient Management and Soil and Water Management along with several others. This year the school held the workshop on November 28-30 in Ocean City, Maryland and was sponsored by the University of Maryland, University of Delaware, and West Virginia University Cooperative Extension Systems, Mid-Atlantic Certified Crop Advisor (CCA) Board, and the United States Department of Agriculture-Natural Resource Conservation Services (USDA-NRCS).

This workshop provides an excellent opportunity to receive the Continuing Education Credits necessary for Consultants to renew their certification. This year the Nutrient Management Program approved 36 Continuing Education Credits depending on course selection.

Next year's workshop dates will be announced but are typically scheduled for the 3rd week of November.

## **Continuing Education**

In order to maintain your certification you must complete a minimum number of continuing education credits. The number of credits required depends on your level of certification:

- 1. **Nutrient Generator:** 6 credits prior to each 3-year anniversary date.
- 2. **Private Nutrient Handler:** 6 credits prior to each 3-year anniversary date.
- 3. Commercial Nutrient Handler: 6 credits prior to each 3-year anniversary date.
- 4. **Nutrient Consultant:** 5 credits annually prior to the anniversary date.

Continuing Education credits can be acquired (or earned) by attending;

- 1. Programming offered by the University of Delaware Cooperative Extension.
- 2. Educational or professional events hosted by companies or organizations including annual meetings, field days, workshops, etc.
- 3. Continuing Education credits sponsored by the Certified Crop Advisor Program, Maryland Nutrient Management Program or the Virginia Nutrient Management Program.
- 4. Other programs or activities approved by the Nutrient Management Program.

## **Continuing Education Credit Approval**

If your company or organization is interested in conducting training for continuing education, or if you would like to find out if you can get continuing education credits for ongoing programs or activities, please contact the University of Delaware (302) 856-7303.

In general, one credit is approximately 40-50 minutes of Nutrient Management related lectures and discussions. The following schedule identifies the planned events that will be offering credits. It is important to inquire at any Nutrient Management related event about continuing education credit. For any questions please contact the State Nutrient Management Program or the University of Delaware.

## Help Us Help You.....Stay Connected

Please help us make sure that we have the most up to date information	n possible. You can call 302-698-45/6,	
send an email to patricia.diehl@state.de.us, or use regular mail Nutric	ent Management, Department of Agricul-	
ture, 2320 S. DuPont Hwy., Dover, DE 19901 to help update our records!		
Name	Phone	
Address		

Fax



## **Upcoming Continuing Education Opportunities**

The following programs offer continuing education credits for individuals certified through the Delaware Nutrient Management Program. Please note that available credits listed for those programs were approved for continuing education at the time this newsletter was published.

Please check our website at http://ag.udel.edu/extension/Nutri/Manage/ for the most up to date listing of programs available and other pertinent information.

#### **Kent County Crop Masters • Contact:**

## Kent County Extension Office, Paradee Center, Rt. 113 South, Dover 302-730-4000 Classes are offered free of charge; Pre-registration IS required.

12/04/06 6:00-9:00 p.m.	Crop Knowledge Challenge	1.5 cec
12/18/06 6:00-9:00 p.m.	Evaluating Alternative, Specialty & Quality Trait Field and	0.5 cec
	Vegetable Crops	
02/04/07 6:00-9:00 p.m.	What is Limiting Soybean Yields?	0.5 cec
03/05/07 6:00-9:00 p.m.	No-Till, Reduced Till, Surface Till, and Zone Till Roundtable	3.0 cec
03/12/07 6:00-9:00 p.m.	Understanding Your Soils	3.0 cec
	Soil properties, limitations & management of soil series in DE (Kent County	)

# New Castle County Cooperative Extension Office • Contact: 302-831-2506 Classes are offered free of charge; Pre-registration IS required. These classes will be offered twice; you can only receive cec's once.

12/06/06 6:00-9:00 p.m.	Equine Nutrient Management and More	3.0 cec
12/09/06 9:00 a.mNoon	Equine Nutrient Management and More	3.0 cec

## Delaware State Fairgrounds • Contact: Your Local County Agriculture Extension Agent Classes are offered free of charge; Pre-registration is NOT required.

01/22/07 9:00 a.mNoon	General Vegetable Session—Dover Building	0.25 cec
01/22/07 Noon-1:30 p.m.	Potato Session—Exhibit Hall Board Room Kitchen	0.5 cec
01/22/07 Call for Times	Fresh Market/Vine Crops Session—Dover Building	1.0 cec
01/23/07 9:00-11:30 a.m.	Morning Processing Crops Session—Dover Building	0.5 cec
01/23/07 1:00-3:15 p.m.	Afternoon Processing Crops Session—Dover Building	0.5 cec
01/23/07 6:00-9:00 p.m.	Small Flock Poultry Session—ACE Building	1.0 cec
01/24/07 8:30 a.mNoon	Greenhouse Session—Dover Building	0.5 cec
01/24/07 1:00-4:45 p.m.	Afternoon Forestry Session—ACE Building	1.0 cec
01/25/07 9:00 a.mNoon	Morning Agronomy Session—Dover Building	3.0 cec
01/27/07 9:00 a.mNoon	Delaware Organic Food & Farming Association	0.5 cec
	Annual Educational Meeting—ACE Building	

## Delaware State Fairgrounds • Contact: Richard Taylor, U of D 302-831-1383 Classes are offered free of charge; Pre-registration is NOT required.

01/22/07 9:00 a.mNoon	Morning Hay and Pasture Session—ACE Building	0.25 cec
01/22/07 1:30-4:00 p.m.	Afternoon Hay and Pasture Session—ACE Building	1.5 cec
01/22/07 Call for Times	Evening Hay and Pasture Session—ACE Building	1.0 cec

## Delaware State Fairgrounds • Contact: Carrie Sterling, U of D 302-856-2585 ext. 574 Classes are offered free of charge; Pre-registration is NOT required.

01/24/07 6:00-9:00 p.m.	Equine Nutrient Management—Exhibit Hall Board Room	3.0 cec
01/25/07 6:00-9:00 p.m.	Evening Poultry Nutrient Management—Dover Building	3.0 cec
01/26/07 9:00 a.mNoon	Morning Poultry Nutrient Management—Dover Building	3.0 cec

This class is offered twice; you can only receive cec's once.

# Modern Maturity Center, Dover • Contact: Val at the DNLA at 888-448-1203 Forecasted fee: DNLA members \$35, non-members \$42; at the door \$45 Pre-registration IS required.

Delaware Horticulture Industry Expo and Annual Pesticide Conference
Sponsored by the Delaware Nursery & Landscape Association
University of Delaware Cooperative Extension
Delaware Department of Agriculture
January 17-18, 2007
1.0 cec available January 18, 2007

#### Session Schedule:

#### **Session I:**

02/28/07, 1:00-4:00 pm. 02/28/07, 6:00-9:00 p.m.

#### **Session II:**

03/07/07, 1:00-4:00 p.m. 03/07/07, 6:00-9:00 p.m.

#### **Session III:**

03/14/07, 1:00-4:00 p.m. 03/14/07, 6:00-9:00 p.m.

## Session IV-Commercial Nutrient Handler:

03/21/07, 9:00 a.m.-Noon

#### Session IV Nutrient Consultant: 3/21/07 1:00-4:00 p.m.

3/21/07, 1:00-4:00 p.m.

#### Commercial Nutrient Handler Exam 04/04/07, 9:00-11:00 a.m.

## Nutrient Consultant Exam 04/04/07, 9:00-11:00 a.m.

These sessions are for individuals that need to be certified through the Delaware Nutrient Management Program. You will NOT be able to receive continuing education credits by attending these sessions.

All sessions are held at Kent County Extension Office Paradee Center, Dover Route 113 South

To sign up please call Carrie Sterling University of Delaware (302) 856-2585, ext. 574.

# How to get involved and voice your opinion:

Meet and talk to commission members.

Attend commission meetings

Contact the Delaware Nutrient Management Program for dates and locations.

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		DNMC Vice Chairman
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Al Johnson, JrHouse of Representatives	(302) 335-5454	Commercial Applicator
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